# SUMTER LITTLE THEATRE

STEPHEN J. WISDO, JR., MANAGING DIRECTOR

presents

# ARSENIC AND OLD LACE

By JOSEPH KESSELRING

September 19 - 21, 27 - 28, 1974

Produced by special arrangement with Dramatists Play Service, Inc.

#### CAST

Abby Brewster	Virginia Rosefield
The Rev. Dr. Harper	George Spelvin
Teddy Brewster	
Officer Brophy	
Officer Klein	Eric McCabe
Martha Brewster	
Elaine Harper	Pearl Johnson
Mortimer Brewster	Fred Carrico
Mr. Gibbs	John Haygood
Jonathan Brewster	Pat Clarke
Dr. Einstein	Herbert Rosefield
Officer O'Hara	John Haygood
Mr. Witherspoon	Jim Wade
Lt. Rooney	David Sohn

Director: STEPHEN J. WISDO, Jr. Assistant Director: DON JOHNSON

## PRODUCTION STAFF

Stage Manager Assistant Stage Manag	er	
Set and Light Design.	Stephen J. Wisdo, Jr.	
Set Construction	David Sohn, Head	
	Sherry Cloud, Don Johnson, Pearl Johnson, Eric McCabe,	
	Sally Moise, Bob Morrow, Tudie Sanders, Ruth Sohn,	
	Kathy Shahan, Debbie Stoy, Larry Stoy, Sid Walton,	
	Valerie Wisdo, Tom Anderson, Martha Van Deusen	
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	Jenny Leverich	
Light Technician	John Rhame	
Electricians	Mark Rivers, Andy Shirey, Sid Walton, Caleen Watts	
Sound Operator	Steven Adams	
Costumes	Libby Adams, Head	
	Mary Branham, Helen Walton, Caleen Watts	
Dressers	Mary Branham, Sally Moise, Steven Rash, Debbie Stoy	
Make-up,		
	Ernie Oxendine, Joy Reis	
Properties		
	Steven Adams, Norma Corbin, Sally Moise, Debbie Stov.	
Jov	Reis, Reva Rash, Larry Stoy, Nancy Walton, Arden Case	
Production Photographer		
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#### **BUSINESS STAFF**

Business Manager	Libby Adams
House Manager	
Publicity	lack Doyle, Nancy Alford, Ray Haley
Program Design	Ray Davenport
Program Lay-out	
Posters	
	Mark Kuno and Sherry Spring

#### SYNOPSIS OF SCENES

The entire action of the play takes place in the Livng Room of the Brewster home in Brooklyn.

Time; A few years ago.

Act I An afternoon in September

Intermission; 12 minustes

Act II
That same night

Intermission: 7 minutes

Act III
Scene 1: Later than night
Scene 2: Early the next morning

#### **CAST NOTES**

VIRGINIA ROSEFIELD (Abby) has been active in the Little Theatre for many years in all phases of Theatre activity. She is a member of the Board of Directors and has recently completed a term as its President. Virginia directed the highly successful production of HARVEY in 1971 and now returns to the stage as an actress. GREY ADAMS (Teddy) is well known to Little Theatre audiences as his acting credits cover numerous shows including MY FAIR LADY, CACTUS FLOWER, and MAN OF LA MANCHA. BOB MORROW (Brophy) and ERIC MC CABE (Klein) both make their acting debut on the Sumter stage in this production. Bob is stationed at Shaw AFB and Eric is a student. MARTHA WALTER (Martha) returns to our stage after too long an absence. Martha has done several roles at the Chatanooga Little Theatre in Tennessee and was last seen here in L'IL ABNER, PEARL JOHNSON (Elaine) is the Drama Instructor at Sumter High School on Haynsworth Street and is also making her local debut as an actress in this production, FRED CARRICO (Mortimer) was last seen on the Sumter stage as Theseus-Oberon in A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM. He has also appeared on stage at the Dock Street Theatre in ADVISE AND CONSENT. JOHN HAYGOOD (Mr. Gibbs and Officer O'Hara) has been associated with the Little Theatre for many years both backstage and onstage. He played lovable Doc Burch in THE DEATH AND LIFE OF SNEAKY FITCH and will be remembered by many as Elwood P. Dowd of HARVEY fame. PAT CLARKE (Jonathan) is stationed at Shaw AFB and is making his second appearance on the Sumter Stage. He was seen recently as Sheriff Jack Ogelsby in the Theatre's Summer production. HERBERT ROSEFIELD (Dr. Einstein) has contributed his time and talents to every medium of the arts in our area. He has served on the Theatre's Board of Directors and as President of the Shaw-Sumter Community Concert Association. Herbert last appeared on the Sumter stage as Phil Cook in THE COUNTRY GIRL. DAVID SOHN (Lt. Rooney) is serving as Head of Set Construction for the Theatre this season and his experience is varied. He has worked backstage on many productions, directed a production of CINDERELLA for the Theatre, and as an actor, was last seen this summer as the infamous Rackham in THE DEATH AND LIFE OF SNEAKY FITCH.

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